desh have considerably damaged the ONGC installations in West Godavary and Krishna Districts; and

(b) if so, what is the extent of the damage and what steps are being taken to replace he damaged equipments, so as to continue the drilling operations in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) and (b) Operations of ONGC on four drill sites were stopped leading to a loss of about R. 2.55 crores. Operations have since been resumed after repair/replacement of rig equipment.

Gandhar Oilfields

707. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state·

(a) whether it is a fact that Gandhar Oilfield in Cambay basin of Gujarat has a potential of 466 million tonnes of hydrocarbon resources;

(b) what is the maximum likely rate of crude oil and natural gas production per day and per year in Gandhar;

(c) what is the current production of crude oil and natural gas in the country;

(d) what is the estimated reserves of crude oil and naural gas in the country excluding Gandhar region;

(e) whether in view of the large scale findings of oil and natural gas, Government propose to bring down the prices of crude oil and gas; if so, to what level; and

(f) whether it is a fact that ONGC has recently signed contracts for supply of Natural Gas taking into account its calorific value and the price of coal producing an equal amount of energy, if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) and (b) The Gandhar oilfields is still under delineation. The balance recoverable reserves of Cambay basin as on 1-1-86 are estimated at 98.64 million tonnes of crude oil and 26.98 billion cubic metres of natural gas.

(c) The estimated production during 86-87 is as follows:

(i) Crude oil (million tonnes)· 30.21

(ii) Natural Gas (billion cubic metres): 9.1

(d) The balance recoverable reserves of crude oil and natural gas in the country excluding Cambay basin as on 1-1-86 are estimated at about 454 million tonnes and 470 billion cubic metres respectively.

(e) No, Sir.

(f) No, Sir.

Faulty metres used by petrol pumbs

708. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the particulars of the petrol pumps in Delhi/New Delhi which have been brought to book for supplying less petrol/diesel to consumers by manipulating petrol vending machines; during 1986 (upto 31st October);

(b) the number of petrol pumps found measuring petrol/diesel short; and

(c) what action Government have taken or purpose to take against the defaulters?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) and (b) The Weights and Measures Wing of the